# INBIGINEWS National Boating Infrastructure Grant

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# Grant to Palisades Interstate Park Commission allows Alpine fueling facilities expansion

The New Jersey Department of Transportation Office of Maritime Resources (NJDOT/OMR) recently announced the completion a \$40,000 National Boating Infrastructure Grant (NBIG) award that allowed the Palisades Interstate Park Commission (PIPC) to upgrade the Alpine Boat Basin's outdated fueling facilities in Alpine, NJ.

Two major improvements — replacing the fuel dispenser and upgrading the 4,000 gallon aboveground tank with an additional 4,000 gallon interconnected aboveground tank on a new concrete pad — have expanded the capacity to 8,000 gallons. Now PIPC has virtually eliminated the risk of running out of fuel, even during the highest boating levels. The project also included enhancing containment facilities at the dispenser.



A new aboveground tank is an Alpine Boat Basin upgrade.

PIPC's new dispenser allows for quick and efficient fueling services, and provides a better and more reliable service to the high volume of transient vessels on the Hudson River. Before this project, its slow, inefficient 20-year-old dispenser and its smaller 4,000 gallon fuel tank could not handle the large volume of transient boaters.

## Take Two! Belmar Municipal Marina receives Second Tier Grant approval

The U.S. Department of the Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne recently announced that more than \$9.5 million had been awarded to New Jersey and eight other states through the competitive Tier Two process.

#### NBIG FY 2008 Letters of Interest

NJDOT/OMR is currently accepting Letters of Interest for the **NBIG** Program.

Type the Letters of Interest in Microsoft Word, with a two page limit, and forward via E-mail to Linda.Forrester@dot.state.nj.us as an attachment.

Additional application information is available at: www.njdot.nj.gov/works/maritime/marine\_trades.shtm

Belmar Municipal Marina, one of the benefactors, will receive \$295,815 from NJDOT to develop a comfort station and restroom facilities for transient boaters. The Borough will match the amount by more than \$100,000. This selection is particularly exciting because the total grant amount requested nationally was more than one and one-half times the available amount for the award. Previously Belmar had success with the Tier Two Program in FY 2003, winning the largest Tier Two award in the nation to develop 57 new transient slips.

Genevieve Boehm Clifton, NJDOT/OMR Program Manager stated, "The Belmar selection shows strong support at the federal level for a well thought out and comprehensive transient boating project. Its focus on marine transportation is unparalleled in New Jersey."

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### Enhanced marina, online guidebook result from Tier One grants

After completing reviews and recommendations, NJDOT is developing Tier One funding agreements for two FY 2007 projects.

#### **Bahrs Landing Restaurant and Marina, Highlands**

Bahrs Landing requested \$26,250 for the preparation of a Marina Transient Master Plan by

# To date NJDOT has received \$3 million in NBIG funds for these marinas:

Belmar Municipal Marina — FY 2002\*, 2003\*, 2007
Farley State Marina — FY 2002\*
Seaview Harbor — FY 2003\*
Grassy Sound Marina — FY 2003\*, 2004
Palisades Interstate Park Commission — FY 2005\*
Spencer's Bayside Marina — FY 2005
Tuckerton Seaport and Baymen's Museum — FY 2005
Key Harbor Marina — FY 2006
Sandy Hook Bay Marina — FY 2006
Bahrs Landing Restaurant and Marina — FY 2007

NJDOT Office of Maritime Resources — FY 2007

\* completed projects

# Tuckerton Seaport, Key Harbor and Sandy Hook Bay Marinas prepare for NBIG funds

New Jersey's transient boaters will benefit from three new projects funded by **NBIG** grants.

Representatives of NJDOT/OMR and NJDOT's offices of intermodal and environmental services visited Tuckerton Seaport in March to finalize the administrative aspects of a grant implementation for the Seaport's transient boating project. The Seaport plans to construct 120 feet of floating docks with utilities, restrooms and showers. A portion of the grant award will market the Seaport as a transient destination for special events throughout the year.

Key Harbor Marina is working with the NJ Department of Environmental Protection to finalize permit requirements for a new **NBIG** funded Tier One project for dockside electric service at 12 new transient slips. Tier Two funds were also awarded to Key Harbor for 12 new transient slips and associated amenities. NJDOT Environmental Services is helping to facilitate this project.

Sandy Hook Bay Marina continues to prepare for the final design and pre-construction for electric, stanchions and water services at new transient docks with **NBIG** Tier One funding. An additional Tier Two LGA Engineering, Inc., to articulate and formalize a new vision for an easily accessible marina with all the best services and upland amenities for transient boaters. The ultimate goal is a highly attractive stopover, or charming destination. Bahrs Landing may receive additional funding for construction of upgrades at the marina when the Transient Master Plan has been completed.

#### **BIG Blueways Guide, NJDOT**

NJDOT/OMR requested up to \$25,000 to develop an online, interactive guide to highlight New Jersey's **NBIG** funded locations and to identify all program awardees along the Eastern seaboard. The BIG Blueways Guide will highlight transient services created or enhanced by **NBIG** that aid recreational boaters as they cruise, vacation or transition along the Atlantic coast.

NJDOT/OMR will partner with the DOT Bureau of Information Management and Technology Planning and the New Jersey Office of Travel and Tourism to produce this guide. Additional partners, including the Marine Trades Association of New Jersey and the New Jersey Marine Sciences Consortium, will assist in public relations and information dissemination.



Tuckerton Seaport is a working maritime village on the Tuckerton Creek. award will fund 32 transient slips, supply related amenities and provide public information for transient boaters in the region as part of a comprehensive marina redevelopment program.



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